

The Hongkong Telegraph.



No. 387.

THURSDAY, APRIL 26, 1883.

SIX DOLLARS PER QUARTER.

For Sale.

HOME CURED SUFFOLK BACON.

WE have been Appointed Sole Agents for the Sale in China, Japan, and Manila, of EDWARD BRANT'S well-known HOME CURED SUFFOLK BACON, HAMS, and BATH CHAPS, and have arranged to receive regular-monthly Supplies.

A Shipment has arrived per Steamship *Glenfruit*, and to prevent disappointment, as the Supply is limited, we shall be glad to receive Orders as soon as possible, or to open a List of Customers who may desire to be regularly supplied.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, 26th April, 1883. [296]

Insurances.

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

(CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....\$1,000,000.)
The above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS, &c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world payable at any of its Agencies.

WOO LIN YUEN

Secretary.

No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1882. [106]

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED.)

CAPITAL TAELS 600,000, EQUAL \$333,333-33.
RESERVE FUND.....\$70,858-27.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

LEE SING, Esq., LEE YAT LAU, Esq.,
LO YOK MOON, Esq., CHU CHIK NUNG, Esq.

MANAGER—HO AMEI.

MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the world.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST.

Hongkong, 1st September, 1882. [601]

YANGTSE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION.

CAPITAL (Fully Paid-up).....Tls. 420,000-00
PERMANENT RESERVE.....Tls. 230,000-00
SPECIAL RESERVE FUND.....Tls. 290,553-95

TOTAL CAPITAL and ACCUMULATIONS, 8th May, 1882.....Tls. 940,553-95

DIRECTORS.

H. DE C. FORBES, Esq., Chairman.

J. H. PINCKVOSS, Esq., Wm. MEYERINK, Esq.,
A. J. M. INVERARITY, Esq., G. H. WHEELER, Esq.

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.

Messrs. RUSSELL & Co., Secretaries.

LONDON BRANCH.

Messrs. BARING BROTHERS & Co., Bankers.

RICHARD BLACKWELL, Esq., Agent,
68 and 69, Cornhill, E.C.

POLICIES granted on MARINE RISKS to all parts of the World.

Subject to a charge of 12 per cent. for interest on Shareholders' Capital, all the PROFITS of the UNDERWRITING BUSINESS are annually distributed among all Contributors of Business (whether Shareholders or not) in proportion to the premia paid by them.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd January, 1883. [83]

THE Undersigned have been appointed AGENTS to the NEW YORK BOARD OF UNDERWRITERS.

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

Hongkong, 15th June, 1881.

RECORD OF AMERICAN AND FOREIGN SHIPPING.

Agents, ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

Hongkong, 15th June, 1881. [457]

MR. MOORE begs to recommend his GOGO SHAMPOO WASH

to the public as 'unrivalled' by any preparation ever produced for promoting the growth of the hair. The basis of this compound is made of soap, not of the native of the Philippine Islands, never 'use' anything else for washing their hair; they are never found bald, and it is quite common to see the females, with hair from 5 to 6 feet long. By constantly using this Shampoo Wash as directed, you will NEVER BE BALD.

The proprietor offers the Wash to the public entirely confident that by its restorative properties it will without fail arrest 'decaying hair.' It completely eradicates scurf, dandruff, and cures all diseases of the scalp. It does not contain any poisonous drugs. By its cooling properties it allays the itching and fever of the scalp, which is the great cause of people losing their hair.

Mr. MOORE has succeeded in being able to put this wash up in bottles without allowing it to ferment, and he will guarantee to keep any length of time in any climate.

FOR SALE ONLY BY MOORE & Co., VARIETY STORE.

Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, 21st January, 1883. [121]

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on

SATURDAY,

the 28th day of April, 1883, at No. 131, Queen's Road East, (opposite the French Consulate), at NOON,—

THE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE OF A GENTLEMAN LEAVING THE COLONY,

consisting of DINING, DRAWING, and BED ROOM SUITES.

Also, One HARMONIUM by BOOSEY & Co. Octaves.

TERMS OF SALE—Cash.

J. M. GUEDES, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 23rd April, 1883. [316]

FURNITURE SALE.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have received instructions from R. G. ALFORD, Esq., to Sell by Public Auction, at his Residence No. 5, West Terrace, on

MONDAY,

the 30th instant, at 2.30 P.M.

HIS HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, comprising—

EBONIZED DRAWING ROOM CHAIRS, COUCHES and TABLES; CARPETS, CURTAINS, MIRRORS, DINING TABLE, SIDEBOARD, CROCKERY and GLASSWARE, IRON BEDSTEPS and MAT-WARE, WARDROBES, CHEST OF DRAWERS, TOILET GLASSES, DRESSING TABLES, &c., &c.

Also, A COTTAGE PIANO by LUNAN of LUBECK. Catalogues will be issued, and the Furniture on view, on the morning of the day of Sale.

TERMS—Cash.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 19th April, 1883. [308]

To be Let.

TO LET.

NO. 4, OLD BAILEY STREET. No. 6, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, lately occupied by PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

No. 7, GARDEN ROAD (at present occupied by Messrs. DEETJEN & Co., and will be vacant on the 30th June next).

No. 25A, PRAYA CENTRAL.

Apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., Hongkong, 10th April, 1883. [7]

TO LET.

A TWO STOREY HOUSE (6 ROOMS) with GARDEN, in Mosque Junction. The above has Gas and Water laid on, and immediate possession can be had.

For Particulars apply to

D. NOWROJEE, Hongkong Hotel.

Hongkong, 6th April, 1883. [18]

TO LET.

FOR ONE YEAR from June next, the New BUNGALOW at the PEAK on R. B. Lot 20, now roofed in and nearly completed, the property of Mr. J. ENSTON SQUIER.

For all information, apply to

R. G. ALFORD, Surveyor, &c.

Queen's Road, Hongkong, 19th April, 1883. [307]

Intimations.

NOTICE.

A GENERAL MEETING will be held at the ENGINEERS' INSTITUTE, D'Agular Street, TO-MORROW EVENING, at EIGHT O'CLOCK.

All ENGINEERS in the Harbour are invited to attend.

J. K. REEBECK, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 25th April, 1883. [326]

FOR SALE.

Ex STEAMSHIP "LAERTES."

A CONSIGNMENT OF HOCKING'S PATENT FRESH WATER CONDENSERS.

THE BEST & CHEAPEST EVER MADE.

Capable of Condensing Three Thousand Gallons per day.

Apply to

G. FENWICK & Co., Victoria Foundry.

Hongkong, 25th April, 1883. [338]

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHOPKEEPERS AND OTHERS.

THE DIRECTORS are 'prepared to let for a term not exceeding FIVE YEARS (after completion) SIX HANDSOME SHOPS on the Basement of the Hotel Building.

For further particulars, apply to

LOUIS HAUSCHILD, Secretary.

Hongkong, 17th April, 1883. [296]

THE CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that ORIGINAL SCRIP CERTIFICATE No. 1,072, dated 18th June, 1880, for THREE SHARES in the above Company, standing in the name of REUBEN SOLOMON, has been LOST, and should the same not be produced before the 6th May next, a Duplicate thereof will be issued to REUBEN SOLOMON, and no transaction taking place under the said Original Scrip Certificate, No. 1,072, will be recognized by the Company.

By Order, D. McLAURIN, Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 10th April, 1883. [121]

Intimations.

JUST RECEIVED.

A CHOICE ASSORTMENT OF

SHOES.

CHILDRENS' FROM \$0.35 PER PAIR.

LADIES' FROM \$1.00 PER PAIR.

ROSE & CO.

31 AND 33, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

Hongkong, 2nd April, 1883. [379]

SAYLE & CO.'S SHOWROOMS.

SAYLE & CO.

NEW SPRING GOODS.

EX S.S. "GLENCOE."

WHITE DRESS MATERIALS. CREAM DRESS MATERIALS. NUNS' VEILINGS in every Color. SUMMER BEIGES in every Color. GALATEAS for Boys' Washing Suits. WHITE INDIA MUSLINS. MULL CORD MUSLINS. WHITE VICTORIA LAWNS. BLACK and COLORED SUNSHADES. LADIES' PATENT LEATHER SLIPPERS. LADIES' & CHILDRENS' BOOTS & SHOES.

A LIBERAL DISCOUNT FOR CASH.

SAYLE & CO., VICTORIA EXCHANGE, HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 4th April, 1883. [249]

EX S.S. "GLENOGLE."

New Patterns in POMPADOUR SATEENS. Plain Colored SATEENS in every Shade. FRENCH PERCALES in every Pattern. Specialities in ZEPHYR CHECKS. CANVAS CORSETS for Summer Wear. SUMMER PAJAMAH FLANNELS. Novelties in LADIES' SILK UMBRELLAS. Trimmed & Untrimmed HATS & BONNETS. A Choice Selection of FLOWERS. OSTRICH TIPS & FLATS in Light Colours. INKSTANDS in Great Variety.

W. BREWER, QUEEN'S ROAD.

Hongkong, 19th April, 1883. [703]

W. BREWER.

HAS JUST RECEIVED.

MY QUEEN WALTZ. VIOLETTES WALTZ. LE PREMIER PAS POLKA. ALL WALDTEUFEL'S WALTZES.

SWEETHEARTS' WALTZ. OFFICERS' WALTZ. TRUE TILL DEATH SONG. CRAMER'S DANCE ALBUMS.

NEW BOOKS.

BABER'S TRAVELS IN WESTERN CHINA. MAX MULLER'S INDIA. CRANE'S LECTURES ON ART. NEW PARLIAMENTARY BLUE BOOKS ON CHINA. LECKY'S WRINKLES IN NAVIGATION. PARALLEL NEW TESTAMENTS. THE AUSTRALIANS IN ENGLAND. LANDELL'S THROUGH SIBERIA. GLAZEBROOK'S PHYSICAL OPTICS. THE AGE OF FIRE AND GRAVEL BY DONNELLY. SEDGWICK'S LIGHT. GAELIC PROVERBS. FOREIGN OFFICE LIST.

SWINBURNE'S POEMS AND BALLADS. PROCTOR'S LEISURE READINGS. CASSELL'S DICTIONARY OF COOKERY. MARKHAM'S WAR BETWEEN PERU AND CHILI. COAN'S LIFE IN HAWAII. OSWALD'S ZOOLOGICAL STUDIES. GRIFFITH'S COREA. BONWICK'S PORT PHILLIP SETTLEMENT. NEW SYSTEMS OF LEARNING LANGUAGES. ARTISTS' GOODS IN GREAT VARIETY. BEZIQUE AND SQUEEZER PLAYING CARDS.

W. BREWER, QUEEN'S ROAD.

Hongkong, 19th April, 1883. [703]

NEW FANCY GOODS.

W. BREWER, QUEEN'S ROAD.

Hongkong, 19th April, 1883. [703]

KELLY & WALSH'S NEW AND POPULAR MUSIC.

Songs:

Some Day.....M. Wellings. The Miller and the Maid.....Marziale. The Romyany Lass.....Stephen Adams. Leaving yet Loving.....Marziale. For Fity's Sake.....Stephen Adams. In the North Country.....Marziale. Moon-Daisies.....Stephen Adams. Told in the Twilight.....Marziale. In a Quiet Old Village.....A. S. Garry. Because I do.....Molloy. Going to Market.....Nessler. Great Grandmother.....Molloy. When I was young.....Nessler. Little Maid of China.....Molloy. Woman's Love and Kisses.....Nessler. Hearts.....Pinault. The Pride of O'Neil.....Kinross. The British Tar.....Bentley. King Henry's Song.....A. Sullivan. Teach me to forget.....F. Moir. The Bell-Ringer.....Wallace. Behind the Clouds.....Coward. Thine Image only.....Nessler. At the Ferry.....M. Wellings. Sprung a Leak.....Stephen Adams. Kismet.....Molloy. Three Merry Men.....Barnett. Dear Face.....Molloy. A Song of Delos.....L. Caldwell. Death or Glory.....Goodeve. The Bird and the Cross.....Molloy. Grief.....Molloy. A Weathercock.....L. L. Hill. The Reason Why.....Adelmann. Father O'Flynn.....Stanford. I'll be a Hero.....Campagna. The Little Hero.....Stephen Adams. Love's Secret.....Sung by Mrs. Langtry. His Fame.....A. L. Mora. The Haven of Rest.....Marriott. Gold.....F. L. Moir. One among Twenty.....Bentley. Is my lover on the Sea.....F. L. Moir. Lyke as a Ship.....Cunynghame. One; two; three.....Berger. Le Parlate d'Amor.....Gounod. Spig of Edelweiss.....Jacobini. True British Soldier.....Barri. The Old Barge.....Behrend. Outside.....Lady A. Hill. In the Gloaming.....Lady A. Hill. Open the door to me.....Lady A. Hill. Beyond the Stars.....Lady A. Hill. So the World goes.....Bendall. In the Moonlight.....Lady A. Hill. Sweet Day so Cool.....Sullivan. Jack and Jill.....Tovey. Yeoman's Wedding Song.....Poniatowski. The Old Poetry.....Molloy.

DANCE MUSIC:

My Queen Valse.....Cote. Valse-Galop.....Mauel. Dolores Valse.....Waldteufel. Day and Night Quadrilles.....Williams. Dreamland Valse.....Batho. Phoebe Polka.....Grenville. Au Printemps Valse.....Waldteufel. La Mascotte Quadrille.....Derausart. La Source Valse.....Waldteufel. Evelyn Polka.....Marziale. Le Premier Balser Valse.....Waldteufel. Boccaccio Polka.....Grenville. Valse Vénitienne.....Waldteufel. Boccaccio Quadrille.....Cote. Down Stream Waltzes.....Henry. Boccaccio Quadrille.....Cote. Les Yeux de Fanquette Valse.....Grenville. Claude Duval Quadrille.....Cote. Scotch Beauties Valse.....Grenville. Sweet Kiss Polka.....Kinkel. Whip Poor Will Valse.....Waldteufel. Black Sash Polka.....E. Piron. Mello Valse.....Waldteufel. A Ton Ton Polka.....Rieffler.

KELLY & WALSH—HONGKONG.

Hongkong, April 14th, 1883. [660]

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

THE CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

M. R. J. BRADLEE SMITH, having returned to the Colony, will resume his duties as SECRETARY to the above Company on and from the 23rd instant.

Wm. REINERS, Chairman Board of Directors.

Hongkong, 21st April, 1883. [315]

NOTICE.

VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

DURING my absence Mr. STEWART MUNN McLEISH will Sign my Name for Procurement.

Wm. CRUICKSHANK.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1883. [232]

NOTICE.

CAPTAIN G. C. ANDERSON will act as SURVEYOR for the BUREAU VERITAS at this Port until further notice.

ROBT. MCMURDO.

Hongkong, 11th April, 1883. [282]

NOTICE.

MR. W. R. LONLEY will Sign Our FIRM per procurement during our temporary absence.

SAYLE & Co.

Hongkong, 21st April, 1883. [313]

Consignees.

UNION LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM LONDON, PENANG, AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship "MOSSER,"

Captain Longley, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for Countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Steamer will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense, and no Fire Insurance will be effected.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on to Yokohama, unless notice to the contrary be given before 5 P.M., TO-DAY.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 3rd May, or they will not be recognised.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 25th April, 1883. [234]

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Steamship "BELGIC"

from San Francisco, &c., are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for Countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding discharge of the Steamer, will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

F. E. FOSTER, Agent.

Hongkong, 20th April, 1883. [2]

MAILS.

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING AT YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship

"CITY OF PEKING,"

will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama and Honolulu, on SATURDAY, the 5th May, at THREE P.M., taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, Honolulu, the United States, and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to Honolulu, San Francisco, and Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railways to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany, by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

RETURN PASSAGES.—Passengers, who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within six months, will be allowed a discount of 20 per cent. from Return Fare; if re-embarking within one year, an allowance of 10 per cent. will be made from Return Fare. Pre-Paid Return made from Return Fare, will be issued as Passage Orders, available for one year, will be issued at a discount of 25 per cent. from Return Fare. These allowances do not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. on the 4th May. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full, value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland Cargo should be sent to the Company's Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information, as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company.

No. 50A, Queen's Road Central.

F. E. FOSTER, Agent.

Hongkong, 17th April, 1883. [1]

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

UNION LINE.

FOR YOKOHAMA.

THE Steamship

"MOSSER,"

Captain Longley, will be despatched for the above Port, TO-MORROW, the 27th inst., at DAYLIGHT.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, 25th April, 1883. [323]

the attempt to storm them, and also in all the operations for recovering or destroying the vessels sunk or stranded during the engagement (several times honourably mentioned in dispatches). As acting commander of the *Force* he took part in the China war of 1860; acting as beach master, under Captain Boreas, C.B., at the landing of the army at Petang River, he commanded the boats of the squadron engaged in clearing away obstructions between the forts and the Pehoi River after they were captured by the troops (China Medal, Taku clasp). He was three years actively employed as commander of the *Gorgon* in suppressing the slave trade on the east coast of Africa, and commanded the *Bombay* when she was destroyed by fire in December, 1864, being specially promoted for his gallant conduct on that occasion.

Mr. Archibald R. Colquhoun, lectured on the 14th inst. at the Edinburgh Literary Institute on his recent adventurous journey, made in company with the late Mr. C. Wahab, from Canton, by the Sinking River and Yunnan, to Bhamo, on the Irrawaddy. The main objects he had in view when he started on his journey were to test the present condition of the Shan States and Yunnan and the prospects of future trade extension there. In sailing along the Sinking he was struck with three things: the large amount of piracy on the river; the number of ruined cities, denoting a past affluence and prosperity, which was destroyed by the great Mohammedan revolt; and the unfriendliness of the people to strangers. What struck him in travelling through Yunnan was the great difference between the south and the north. Hitherto Yunnan had been depicted to the European world as a wild, barren, and thinly-peopled country, offering few inducements to travel. But he found, to his surprise, a description of the south an injustice. The valleys and plains, and also the plateau part, were most fertile, and covered with luxuriant crops. The valleys and plains were studded with innumerable villages, and having large cities with good houses and hostels, and the people were kind, civilised, and friendly. In the north the climate was inclement, in the south there was the case—the climate being probably one of the most charming in the world. Everywhere in this region the people were friendly and hospitable, and of opinion that one-third of the whole land being devoted to its cultivation. In all, the travellers had a journey of 2,000 miles, 1,300 of which were through unknown country. A very interesting series of photographs and sketches were shown by the oxy-hydrogen light, which included views of Chinese temples, carvings, bridges, and scenery; photographs of mandarins and of the aboriginal inhabitants of Yunnan and the Shan States—the sketches of the men and women of the two latter-mentioned countries showing great diversity and interest in the methods of attire. In a few words the Rev. Dr. Gould expressed the thanks of a large audience to Mr. Colquhoun for his very interesting and instructive address.

GRIEVANCES OF SHIPOWNERS.

Half-a-dozen grievances are seriously exercising the souls of shipowners; and the uppermost of them at present relates to the power of detaining overladen vessels vested in the Board of Trade by the Act of 1876, which was passed in consequence of Mr. Plimsoll's efforts. They complain that officers of the Board of Trade, often at the last moment, when a vessel is about to cast off and put to sea, when all expense of putting the cargo on board has been incurred, interfere and pronounce the ship unladen. This Act, it is said, is worked with needless harshness, and is altogether at variance with the object of the Board of Trade, which is to permit cargo to be placed on board under their eyes after a safe draught has been reached, there is just cause of complaint. Another grievance relates to tonnage measurement and the load line. The whole theory of the measurement of tonnage is unsettled. The principle upon which surveyors proceed in this country is to ascertain the contents of the internal capacity of ship, represented by a space of 100 cubic feet, minus certain deductions for propelling space. This system is in use in regard to the 39,000 ships which form the British mercantile marine. It is also in use in France, Germany, Italy, and, in fact, in all the chief maritime countries of Europe, as well as in the United States; and it is assumed as a basis of many financial arrangements which could not easily be altered. The majority of the Commissioners who recently examined the subject were in favour of retaining this principle, though they thought that the rules of measurement which are now in force should be amended so as to insure greater accuracy in carrying out this principle, especially in regard to iron vessels. Certain of the Commissioners dissented from the report of the majority and there is no doubt that the existing system of measurement has helped to create peculiar forms of naval architecture—in particular, the well-deck vessels—which, in the opinion of some experts, are far from safe. The load line is an old grievance. Many shipowners think that the rules as to freeboard adopted by Lloyd's are more severe than those of the Board of Trade, and they complain of the hardship of detaining or condemning in costs the owners of a vessel the condition of which satisfies the former. To add to the shipowner's troubles, just when he thinks that he has grievance against the Government a movement has begun on the part of the London dock companies in favour of enhanced charges. Shipowners think the time particularly inopportune for such an increase. They argue that if any change is demanded it is one which would reduce of rates in these days, when cargoes are larger than they were, and when, by the use of steam and hydraulic power, vessels are unloaded more rapidly and detained at their berths a shorter time than they once were. These do not by any means complete the shipowner's troubles. Until a few years ago it was taken for granted, much to his case, that sailors, being wayward and creatures of impulse, were not to be treated as ordinary workmen on shore, and accordingly shipowners were intrusted with exceptional powers to protect themselves against Jack's fickleness. Under the Merchant Shipping Act of 1854, a seaman who refused to go on board his ship might be imprisoned for several weeks. In 1880 this was altered. The consequence has been, according to many shipowners, a remarkable increase in the number of desertions. According to one witness, who spoke of his experience at the port of Cardiff, it has increased fourfold. In fact, we are assured that many seamen treat their agreements with contempt whenever they think fit to quit their ships. In 1880 advance notes were abolished, with a view to stop the malpractices of crews; and, though excellent in its intentions, this innovation has also given rise, it is said, to inconveniences.

MAILS EXPECTED.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.—The P. M. S. S. Co.'s steamer *City of Peking*, with the next American mail, left Yokohama for Hongkong on the 21st inst., and is due here on or about the 26th.

THE INDIAN MAIL.—The Indo-China S. N. Co.'s steamer *Arroy*, with the Indian mail, left Singapore for this port on the 23rd inst., and may be expected here on or about the 26th.

PANGTSE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION.

The following is the annual report of the Board of Directors, to be presented at the general meeting of shareholders, announced to be held in Shanghai to-day:—

The directors have the pleasure to submit to the shareholders the accounts of the association for the year ending December 31st, 1882. The net premium earned, less re-insurances, amount to Tls. 388,586.64. The losses paid, less re-insurances, amount to Tls. 135,825.67, and after deducting Tls. 50,000 for interest on shareholders' capital at the rate of 5 per cent, and transferring Tls. 80,555.11 to special reserve fund to meet pending claims, the balance of the estimated profit on the underwriting account of Tls. 198,265.86 has been appropriated as follows:—

FRANCE AND MADAGASCAR.

When the Malagasy Envoys were despatched to Paris in September last, the French press expressed openly and unreservedly a fervent hope that the opportunity would be seized upon to establish the exclusive predominance of France in Madagascar. The correspondent of the *Debat* at Nossi urged that the moment for vigorous action had arrived, and counselled the slight augmentation of the naval force on the shores of the island, and the sending of a small force to occupy the principal customs stations on the coast, which furnish the only pecuniary resources of the Hovas, contending that by these means France would obtain from the Queen "the legitimate satisfaction to which she is entitled"—and his views were highly approved by other journals. This shabby trick was not immediately played upon the Hovas; but Mr. Grévy's energetic advisers have not had long to wait. The arrival of the Envoys was followed by a passage of violence and discourtesy almost incredible on the part of a nation that prides itself on the punctilious honour of its public transactions; and now, while the Ambassadors are still absent from their own country, the storm they so greatly feared seems ready to burst upon their shores. The original programme is to be as far as possible retained. It is said the commander of the French Squadron has instructions to blockade the shore and occupy several ports, but not to send troops into the interior, as "the object of the French is simply to force the Queen to recognise the Protectorate of France." No doubt, if Queen Ranavaloa were to agree to this modest proposition, the French Government would be glad to be saved the risk and the cost of pouring troops into the domains of Marshalls Hayo and Tayo; but if, with the examples of Annam and Tahiti before her eyes, she should decline the proffered honour, much reliance is placed on the pugnacity of the warlike Sakalava tribes to accomplish the same end. As it is nominally on their account that France interferes in the affairs of the island, they will be expected to fight the battles of their patrons when called upon to do so; and doubtless by such a lamentable stirring up of race antipathies a state of schism and consequent weakness may be produced which will lay the country at the mercy of a foreign invader, though the Sakalavas have never actually for any length of time refused allegiance to the Hova Government, and have long paid their tribute with peaceful regularity.

The unqualified action of France in persecuting this little nation is greatly to be deplored. Not only is it utterly unworthy of her position as a great Power, but the injury which it will inflict on the unoffending island is such as no civilised people can contemplate without dismay. A relapse from Christianity to heathenism, and from civilisation to barbarism, with a general massacre of all the Europeans in the outlying districts, are amongst the probable results, since the Hovas are even now persuading themselves that it is to the foreigners all their troubles are due, and in country regions no distinction is understood between the different European nations. The Hovas are drilling and strengthening their army, and preparing for determined resistance; but the outbreak of war will be fatal to the prosperity of the country, whichever way its tide may turn. It is impossible for England to remain an unaffected spectator of this outrage, for it is impossible to ignore the fact that this, like so many of the later enterprises of France, is aimed against existing English interests. With legitimate advances, such as the building and subsidising of the fine new vessels of the Messageries Maritimes for the trade with New Caledonia, we, of course, have no quarrel, though by calling in at Aden, the Seychelles, Mauritius, and the Australian ports they will monopolise commerce that would otherwise fall to the share of England. But to "protect"—or to seize—the North-West mainland of Madagascar would be to establish a standing menace to English trade, and to threaten if necessary our communications with India. The hold which this latter possibility has taken on the mind of France is shown by the delight with which the acquisition of Tananariva as a set-off against Aden was hailed, and of Tunis as a rival stronghold to Gibraltar, and by the feverish desire displayed to appropriate territory in other parts of Africa and the adjacent islands. This temper on the part of France is too evident to be ignored, even if we were otherwise ready to acquiesce in the unpromising ruin of an independent little State.

THE LAWYER AND THE WITNESS.

Irish witnesses are not usually so tractable, no amount of skill and patience being required to extract a definite answer to the simplest of questions. Nothing, however, is more amusing than to see a young lawyer, full of loving Irishman better than to bother a lawyer, and the Irish Courts have known many a dialogue like this:—

"You are a Roman Catholic?"
"Am I?"
"Are you not?"
"You say I am?"
"Come, sir, what's your religion?"
"The true religion."
"What religion's that?"
"My religion."
"And what is your religion?"
"My mother's religion."
"What was your mother's religion?"
"She took whisky in her tea."
"You bless yourself, don't you?"
"When I'm done with you, I will."
"What place of worship do you go to?"
"The most convenient."
"My persuasion is that you won't find out."
"What is your belief?"
"That you are puzzled."
"Do you confess?"
"Not to you."
"Who would you write to if you were likely to die?"
"The doctor."
"I insist upon your answering me, sir. Are you a Roman Catholic?"

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SINGAPORE AND MAURITIUS. THE Steamship

"INGO," is POSTPONED till TO-DAY, the 26th inst., at FOUR P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to DUNN, MELBYE & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 23rd April, 1883. [287]
OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAM-SHIP COMPANY.

FOR NAGASAKI. THE Steamship

"GAELIC," Captain Turpin, will be despatched for the above Port, on SUNDAY, the 29th inst., at DAY-LIGHT.
For Freight or Passage, apply to F. E. FOSTER, Agent.
Hongkong, 26th April, 1883. [366]
OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAM-SHIP COMPANY.

FOR NAGASAKI. THE Steamship

"BELGIC," Captain Cameron, will be despatched for the above Port, on TUESDAY, the 1st May, at DAY-LIGHT.
For Freight or Passage, apply to F. E. FOSTER, Agent.
Hongkong, 26th April, 1883. [314]
FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE, VIA SINGAPORE.

(Calling at PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, TOWNSVILLE, and BRISBANE, and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND and TASMANIAN PORTS, NEW CALEDONIA and FIJI.)

THE Steamship

"VENICE," Captain Drake, will be despatched as above, on or about THURSDAY, the 3rd May, at FOUR P.M., instead of as previously notified.
For Freight or Passage, apply to GEO. R. STEVENS & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 26th April, 1883. [299]

FURNITURE SALE. ELEGANT ENGLISH AND CANTON MADE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have received instructions from EDMUND SHARP, Esq., to Sell by Public Auction, at his Residence, Robinson Road, on

FRIDAY, the 4th May, at ONE O'CLOCK P.M., THE WHOLE OF HIS HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,

Comprising:—DRAWING ROOM: HANDSOME CARVED BOMBAY BLACK-WOOD TABLE, MAHOGANY MARBLE-TOP TABLES, CRETONNE COVERED COUCHES and CHAIRS, OLEOGRAPH, GASALIER, MIRRORS, &c.

DINING ROOM: CARVED SIDEBOARD, WHATNOT, MAHOGANY MOROCCO COVERED CHAIRS, PLATED GLASS and CROCKERY WARE, FENDER and FIRE IRONS, CARPETS, STATUETTES, &c.

BED ROOMS: TEAK and MAHOGANY WARDROBES, MAHOGANY BEDSTEADS, MARBLE-TOP DRESSING TABLES and WASHSTANDS, SECRETAIRE, BATH TUBS, &c.

Also, AN ALCOCK'S PATENT COMBINED MAHOGANY DINING and BILLIARD TABLE complete with CUES and BALLS. A HANDSOME INDIAN CARPET. Choice Collection of PLANTS in POTS, &c., &c.

Catalogues will be issued, and the Furniture will be on view, the day previous to the Sale. TERMS.—Cash.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 26th April, 1883. [349]

NOTICE.

THE GOLDEN SCISSOR, No. 13, POTTINGER STREET.

A. M. ROBIN (LATE OF T. M. LAWSON'S, CALCUTTA.)

TAILOR, Shirt and Breeches Maker and General Outfitter. Mr. ROBIN invites Public Patronage and guarantees a perfect fit at Moderate Charges.

N.B.—Note the address. THE GOLDEN SCISSOR, No. 13, Pottinger Street. Hongkong, 26th March, 1883. [234]

STAG HOTEL, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

GOOD ACCOMMODATION FOR VISITORS.

ENGLISH & AMERICAN BILLIARDS. Tiffin at One o'clock Dinner at 7 o'clock.

This HOTEL is centrally situated and within easy distance of the principal landing places. 475] J. COOK, Proprietor.

QUEDES & CO. PRINTERS, STATIONERS, AND BOOKBINDERS, D'AGUILAR STREET.

EVERY KIND OF WORK EXECUTED WITH ACCURACY, NEATNESS, AND DESPATCH ON VERY MODERATE TERMS.

SELECTED MATERIALS FOR MARKET REPORTS. Book-binding and Ruling in every style executed at low rates. Workmanship Guaranteed. Hongkong, 23rd August, 1882. [4]

M. GUEDES. HOUSE AND LAND BROKER, AUCTIONEER, AND COMMISSION AGENT. No. 35, WELLINGTON STREET, HONGKONG. Hongkong, 23rd January, 1882. [5]

Intimations.

"NOVELTY STORE," MARINE HOUSE, QUEEN'S ROAD.

JUST RECEIVED.

FANCY Decorated Bohemian Glass-Ware. Watch Stands, Toilet and Perfumery Stands of Parisian Manufacture, in great variety and elegant designs.

Fancy China-ware. Card Trays, Pin Cushions and Powder Cases. Plush and Velvet Work Boxes and Perfumery Stands with superior Cutlery and Cut-glass Scent Bottles. New and Fancy lot of Walking Sticks. Vitrines' Perfumery, Soaps, Sachets, &c.

Fancy Clocks Embedded in Porcelain-ware Plates, latest, Novelty of Paris, executed in handsome and elegant designs.

New Patent Double-action Corkscrews. Ladies' Silk Fringing Machines. Briar-root and Cherry-wood Pipes with receptacles for receiving and preventing the juice from running into the mouth.

Real Meerschaum and Amber Cigarette Holders. Nickel and Leather Dog Leads and Collars. Fox-tail Dusters.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING, OF AMERICAN MANUFACTURE:—SWEET CAPORAL CIGARETTES. LONE FISHERMAN CIGARETTES. FRUITS & FLOWERS CIGARETTES.

S. MEYERS, MANAGER.
Hongkong, 23rd April, 1883. [28]

Intimations. NOTICE.

THE OFFICES of the Underigned have this day been REMOVED to the 1st Floor of 143, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, above Achue's Furniture Store.

DENNIS & MOSSOP, Solicitors and Notaries Public. Hongkong, 31st March, 1883. [246]

INTIMATION. SIGNOR ANTONIO CATTANEO, of the CONSERVATOIRE DE BERGAMO and late of the ROYAL ITALIAN OPERA COMPANY has the honor to inform the community that he has arranged to remain in Hongkong, and will give lessons in Music, Singing and the Pianoforte. CHARGES STRICTLY MODERATE.

Address—Messrs KELLY & WALSH, Queen's Road. Hongkong, 1st March, 1883. [168]

LOST. ON WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON between Murray Pier and Government House, A GOLD LOCKET, with MONOGRAM and CRESL.

The Finder will be REWARDED, if necessary, on RETURNING the same to the "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" OFFICE. Hongkong, 4th April, 1883. [260]

F. D. GUEDES. WINE MERCHANT AND GENERAL COMMISSION AGENT.

No. 5, D'AGUILAR STREET. HAS always on hand a large assortment of CHOICE WINES of the best quality, at Moderate Prices. Hongkong, 2nd October, 1882. [563]

F. BLACKHEAD & CO. SHIPHANDLERS, STORE-KEEPERS, AND GENERAL COMMISSION AGENTS, PRAYA CENTRAL.

HAVE RECEIVED EX-LATEST ARRIVALS. AMERICAN CAST STEEL SHOVELS, PICKS.

AXES. HATCHETS. ENGINEERS' & HOUSEHOLD HAMMERS. PATENT BIT BRACES.

AUGER-BITS. DRILLS. GIMBLETS. SQUARES.

PATENT BRASS PADLOCKS & CHEST LOCKS. MRS. FOSTER'S PATENT SADIRONS. COOKING STOVES. FAIRBANK'S SCALES. FORCE PUMPS FOR SHIPS' USE. DRILLING MACHINES. BREAST DRILLS, AUTOM. BORING TOOLS.

ANVILS, VICES, AND DRILLS COMBINED. ANVILS. VICES. HITCHCOCK'S PATENT LAMPS. GLASS CUTTERS.

SCROLL SAWS. FAMILY GRINDSTONES. BLACKSMITHS' BELLows, &c., &c., &c.

BEST WHITWORTH'S STOCK AND DIES. SCREW WRENCHES. PLANE IRONS. CHISELS. HAMMERS. PINNERS. NIPPERS. DIVIDERS.

RULES. METAL SCISSORS. METAL SAWS. TUBE EXPANDERS. OIL FEEDERS. OIL CANS. SALTER'S SPRING BALANCE SCALES. WESTON'S PATENT TACKLES. PATENT SOCKETS. DISTRESS SIGNALS. HOLMES' PATENT SIGNAL LIGHTS. FOGHORNS.

SIGNAL LAMPS. LIFE BUOYS. BOTTLE WASHING AND CORKING MACHINES. &c., &c., &c.

SPARKLING SCHARHOFBERGER. FLENSBURG STOCK BEER.

MARIENHAUSEN BEER. YVETTE CLICQUOT PONSARDIN CHAMPAGNE. Hongkong, 7th October, 1882. [10]

Intimations.

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE DIRECTORS are now prepared to receive TENDERS from suitable persons for a term of FIVE YEARS, for the lease of the HONGKONG HOTEL, with FURNITURE complete.

The Building (together with a powerful passenger lift), will comprise after the proposed alterations and additions have been completed, viz:—

THE BASEMENT. Two Grand Entrances from Pedder's Street and Queen's Road. Bag, Billiard, Reading and Smoking Rooms with separate Entrance from Pedder's Street.

A handsomely fitted up Ladies' Room, for the use of visitors and others. Manager's and General Offices, Kitchens, Store Rooms, &c., &c., &c.

FIRST FLOOR. A Public Dining Room capable of dining upwards of 100 persons at the same time. ONE LARGE BREAKFAST ROOM.

FIVE elegant and beautifully fitted up suites of ROOMS, consisting of a Private Dining Room, DRAWING ROOM, CARD ROOM, READING ROOM, and BILLIARD ROOM.

TEN Bed Rooms with a Bathroom to each. SECOND AND THIRD FLOORS. Have each 26 lofty, well ventilated and lighted Bed Rooms, opening on to large Verandahs with a commodious Bath Room for each room.

All the Passages and Corridors throughout the premises are wide and well lighted, most of the furniture will be new and made expressly for the climate.

The special attention of Hotel Keepers and others is drawn to the unusual advantages offered. Tenders to state sum per annum, and to include taxes. No Tender under \$3,500 per annum will be entertained by the Directors. Hongkong, 16th April, 1883. [292]

THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED. NOTICE is hereby given that a GENERAL MEETING OF THE COMPANY will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 5th day of May, 1883, at TWELVE O'CLOCK NOON, when the following Special Resolutions will be proposed:

1.—That the Capital of the HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY LIMITED be increased from \$200,000 to \$300,000 by the issue of 1,000 new shares of \$100 each to be issued at par.

2.—That each of the said new shares be paid for by the following Call, that is to say, The sum of \$50 shall be paid in respect of each of the said new shares on the 30th September, 1883, and the balance payable in respect of each of the said new shares shall be paid at such times thereafter, and in such sums any one of which shall not exceed \$25, as the Board of Directors of the Company shall think fit.

3.—That the said new shares be offered in the first instance in such manner, and at such times as the Board shall think expedient to the persons who shall, on the 30th day of June, 1883, be the registered Holders of the old or present shares, in the proportion of one new share for every two of the said old or present shares, and accepted, or not, within the time limited for that purpose by the Board, and that any new share, or shares, which shall have been offered in manner aforesaid and not accepted within the time limited for that purpose by the Board, shall be disposed of, and allotted, by the Board at such times and to such persons, at such prices, upon such terms, as to the amount of dividend to be paid thereon, or otherwise, and generally in such manner and way in every respect as the Board shall in its discretion direct in the interests of the Company.

4.—That subject and without prejudice to any direction of the Board to the contrary made in pursuance of the immediately preceding resolution, holders for the time being of the said new shares shall be entitled, as from the date of the acceptance hereof within the meaning of Regulation No. 10 of the Articles of Association of the Company to participate in the dividend for the year 1883 to the extent hereinafter mentioned, that is to say, (a)—They shall not be entitled to receive any part of the dividend distributable in respect of the nine Calendar months ending on the 30th September 1883.

(b)—When and so soon as the dividend for the Three Calendar months ending on the 31st December, 1883, shall have been ascertained and become payable in pursuance of the said Articles of Association, it shall be distributed amongst the holders for the time being of the said old or present shares and the holders for the time being of the said new shares in proportion to the number of shares respectively held by them, and the amount of such dividend to be received by the holders for the time being of the said new shares shall be (unless the said new shares respectively have been fully paid up) estimated, not upon the price of issue, nor upon the current market price of the said new shares respectively, but upon the amount which shall, at the time that such dividend shall become payable, have been paid by way of call by the holders for the time being of the said new shares respectively.

5.—That the dividend for the year 1884 and every subsequent year shall be distributed amongst the holders for the time being of the said old or present shares and the holders for the time being of the said new shares in proportion to the number of shares respectively held by them, and the amount of such last mentioned dividends to be received by the holders for the time being of the said new shares shall be (unless the said new shares respectively shall be fully paid up) estimated, not upon the price of the said new shares respectively, but upon the amount which shall, at the time that such dividend shall become payable, have been paid by way of call by the holders for the time being of the said new shares respectively.

6.—That the fees of one dollar each mentioned in regulations Nos. 11, 12 and 30 of the said Articles of Association shall cease to be payable and that the said regulations shall be read as though no mention were therein made of the payment of any fees.

7.—That regulation No. 35, providing for the payment of a fee of half a dollar in respect of every transfer or transmission of Shares in the Company shall be expunged from the said Articles of Association.

LOUIS HAUSCHILD, Secretary. Hongkong, 16th April, 1883. [293]

G. FALCONER & CO. WATCH AND CHRONOMETER MANUFACTURERS, AND JEWELLERS IN SILVER, GOLD, AND PLATINA. CHARTS AND BOOKS. No. 46, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL. [444]

FOR SALE CHEAP. FIVE TO SIX HUNDRED TONS COKE IN LOTS FROM ONE TON UPWARDS. COAL TARI IN BARRELS. CHOY CHEW, 239, PRAYA WEST. Hongkong, 5th April, 1883. [262]

FOR SALE. G. H. MUMM & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE. QUARTS.....\$22 per Case. PINTS.....\$23 per Case. Apply to MELCHERS & Co. Hongkong, 2nd March, 1883. [8]

FOR SALE CHEAP. SEVERAL GOOD PONIES, suitable for Hack, Carriage Ponies or Jumpers. Apply to R. FRASER-SMITH, Hongkong Telegraph Office. Hongkong, 3rd March, 1883.

J. AND R. TENNENT'S ALE AND PORTER. DAVID CORSAIR & SONS' MERCHANT NAVY NAVY BOILED LONG FLAX CROWN ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co. Hongkong, 15th June, 1881. [458]

THE CITY OF MANILA CIGAR STORE. HAS FOR SALE. CIGARS of all Brands, Imperiales, Caballeros, Viqueiros, Regalias, Londres, Nuevo Habana, all makes, quality guaranteed. Tobacco of all Brands, at moderate prices. FANCY GOODS from the Parisian markets, Meerschaum Pipes, Jewellery of Choice Designs. Sun Hats, &c., &c.; Commissions Executed.

JOSE M. BASA. No. 51, B, QUEEN'S ROAD, CENTRAL. Hongkong, 1st May, 1882. [297]

C. L. THEVENIN. WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANT. HONGKONG HOTEL BUILDINGS.

HAS FOR SALE. A FINE ASSORTMENT OF WHITE AND RED BURGUNDIES AT MODERATE PRICES. A Capital AMONTILLADO SHERRY. Assorted LIQUORS of the best quality. BON BONS, FRENCH PRESERVES, FRESH BUTTER and CHEESE by Every French Mail, PERFUMERY, &c., &c. Hongkong, 2nd October, 1882. [6]

HONGKONG TIMBER YARD, WANCHAI. OREGON PINE SPARS AND LUMBER ALWAYS ON HAND. L. MALLORY, Proprietor. Hongkong, 24th June, 1881. [459]

D. K. GRIFFITH. MANUFACTURER OF THE LONDON AERATED WATERS. 7, BEACONSFIELD ARCADE, (Opposite the City Hall)

Having Purchased the entire Machinery of the late Mr. E. CHASTEL'S SODA WATER FACTORY is now prepared to execute the largest orders for every description of Aerated Waters with promptness and despatch.

SUPERIOR QUALITY. I S "G. U. R. V. T. E. E. D. Consumers are invited to try these carefully Manufactured SPARKLING WATERS. THREE DOZEN FOR ONE DOLLAR. All Orders and Communications should be addressed to The Factory, 7, BEACONSFIELD ARCADE. Hongkong, 11th April, 1882. [279]

CHS. J. GAUPP & CO. CHRONOMETER, WATCH, AND CLOCK-MAKERS, JEWELLERS, SILVER-SMITHS, AND OPTICIANS. CHARTS AND BOOKS. NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS. Sole Agents for Louis Audemars' Watches awarded the highest Prize at every Exhibition; and for Voigtlander and Sohn's CELEBRATED OPERA GLASSES, MARINE GLASSES, AND SPYGLASSES. No. 38, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL. [447]

WILLIAM SCHMIDT & CO. GUNMAKERS & AMMUNITION DEALERS, BEACONSFIELD ARCADE. Arms, Ammunition, and Regulators of every description. Arms Repaired, Cleaned, or Converted at moderate charges. Sporting Guns and Ammunition always on hand. [19]

Commercial.

THIS DAY.

Business in the Share Market is still very quiet, most of the stocks having a downward tendency. Union Insurance have been done at \$675 per share, but at that rate a number of shares could still be placed. Chinese Insurances are weaker, offers to sell at quotation having met with no response. Steamboats are out of favor at the reduced rate of \$41 premium. China Sugars have come down to \$190 per share without inducing investors to come forward. Luzons continue their downward course and are now freely offering at \$90 per share. Nothing else requires special mention.

4 o'clock p.m.

Since noon China Sugars have retrograded another \$5 per share, but as yet no buyers have come forward. The "dry rot" which has set in in Luzons still continues, the stock having changed hands at \$85 per share. No other transactions have come under our notice.

SHARES.

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank—Ex New Issue 154 per cent. premium.
 Hongkong and Shanghai Bank—New Issue, 152 per cent. premium.
 Union Insurance Society of Canton—\$675 per share, sales and buyers.
 China Traders' Insurance Company—\$2,625 per share, buyers.
 North China Insurance—Tls. 1,800 per share, sellers.
 Canton Insurance Company, Limited—\$145 per share, sellers.
 Yangtze Insurance Association—Tls. 1050 per share, sellers.
 Chinese Insurance Company—\$205 per share, sellers.
 On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—Tls. 150 per share.
 Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—\$1,150 per share, sellers.
 China Fire Insurance Company—\$365 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company—57 per cent. premium, sellers.
 Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.—\$41 per share, premium, sellers.
 China and Manila Steam Ship Company—122 per share, buyers.
 Hongkong Gas Company—\$80 per share.
 Hongkong Hotel Company—\$185 per share, sellers.
 Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited—5 per cent. prem.
 China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$185 per share, sellers.
 China Sugar Refining Company (Debtors)—3 per cent. premium.
 Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$85 per share, sales.
 Hongkong Ice Company—\$178 per share, buyers.
 Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—\$80 per share, buyers.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1878—1 per cent. prem. ex. int.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1881—3 per cent. prem. sales.

EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON.—Bank, T. T. 3/7
 Bank Bills, on demand 3/7
 Bank Bills, at 30 days sight 3/7
 Bank Bills, at 3 months sight 3/8
 Credits, at 4 months sight 3/8
 Documentary Bills, at 4 months sight 3/8
 ON PARIS.—Bank, T. T. 4/8
 Bank Bills, on demand 4/8
 Credits, at 4 months sight 4/8
 ON HAMBURG.—Bank, T. T. 223
 ON CALCUTTA.—Bank, T. T. 223
 ON SHANGHAI.—Bank, T. T. 724
 Private, 30 days sight 73

EXPORT CARGO.

Per *Gaconda*, str., for London, 3,110 boxes Congou (6,518 lbs.), 20 bales Waste Silk, 5 packages Silk piece goods, and 461 packages Sundries. For Continent—628 packages Sundries.

OPPIUM MARKET.—THIS DAY.

NEW MALWA.....per picul, 8530
 (Allowance, Tals 64.)
 OLD MALWA.....per picul, 8555
 (Allowance, Tals 24.)
 NEW PATNA (first choice) per chest, 8578
 NEW PATNA (second).....per chest, 8570
 NEW PATNA (without choice) per chest, 8571
 NEW PATNA (bottom).....per chest, 8580
 NEW BENARES.....per chest, 8565
 OLD BENARES.....per chest, 8555
 NEW PERSIAN.....per chest, 8385
 OLD PERSIAN.....perpicul, 8460
 (Allowance, Tals.)

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

THIS DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

BAROMETER.	HONGKONG.	AMOI.	SHANGHAI.	MANILA.
7:00 a.m.	30.03	30.07	30.07	30.10
10:00 a.m.	30.03	30.07	30.07	30.10
1:00 p.m.	30.03	30.07	30.07	30.10
4:00 p.m.	30.03	30.07	30.07	30.10
7:00 p.m.	30.03	30.07	30.07	30.10
10:00 p.m.	30.03	30.07	30.07	30.10
Therm. attached.	73.0	73.0	71.0	68.0
Direction of Wind.	N. E.	N. E.	N. E.	N. E.
Force of Wind.	4	4	4	4
Dry Thermometer.	71.0	74.0	71.0	68.0
Wet Thermometer.	66.0	66.0	66.0	66.0
Weather.	0	0	0	0
Hour's Rain.	0	0	0	0
Quantity fallen.	0	0	0	0

Barometer, level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths.—Thermometer, in Fahrenheit degrees and tenths kept in the open air in a shaded situation.—Direction of Wind, in registered code, 0 to 9, N., N.N.E., E., S.E., S., S.W., W., W.N.W., N.W., N., etc.—Force of Wind, in registered code, 0 to 9, 0 to 10, 10 to 20, 20 to 30, 30 to 40, 40 to 50, 50 to 60, 60 to 70, 70 to 80, 80 to 90, 90 to 100, 100 to 110, 110 to 120, 120 to 130, 130 to 140, 140 to 150, 150 to 160, 160 to 170, 170 to 180, 180 to 190, 190 to 200, 200 to 210, 210 to 220, 220 to 230, 230 to 240, 240 to 250, 250 to 260, 260 to 270, 270 to 280, 280 to 290, 290 to 300, 300 to 310, 310 to 320, 320 to 330, 330 to 340, 340 to 350, 350 to 360, 360 to 370, 370 to 380, 380 to 390, 390 to 400, 400 to 410, 410 to 420, 420 to 430, 430 to 440, 440 to 450, 450 to 460, 460 to 470, 470 to 480, 480 to 490, 490 to 500, 500 to 510, 510 to 520, 520 to 530, 530 to 540, 540 to 550, 550 to 560, 560 to 570, 570 to 580, 580 to 590, 590 to 600, 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